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TO AMEMBASSY CARACAS PRIORITY

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SUBJECT: SEIZURE OF U.S. AIRCRAFT PIPER N 65 DM

1. SENATOR CHILES REQUESTS ANY INFORMATION EMBASSY CAN PROVIDE ON THE CONFISCATION OF PIPER AIRCRAFT N65 DM ON OR ABOUT JANUARY 12 BY VENEZUELAN AUTHORITIES.

2. AIRCRAFT REGISTERED TO H.F. MASON EQUIPMENT INC. ACCORDING TO COMPANY, AIRPLANE WAS STOLEN IN FLORIDA AND MAY HAVE BEEN SEIZED BY VENEZUELAN AUTHORITIES IN CONNECTION WITH DRUG TAFFICKING. AIRPLANE REPORTED TO BE AT MAIQUEITI AIRFIELD IN CARACAS.

3. FOR POST'S INFORMATION: TO FORESTALL A SITUATION WHERE IN THE PRESS, PUBLIC AND CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST START UP A CLAMOR BASED ON MISINFORMATION, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES BE INITIATED:

A. IMPRESS UPON VENEZUELAN AUTHORITIES THE URGENCY FOR PROMPT REPORTING OF ANY AIRCRAFT CONFISCATED, AND ASK THAT

THEY INCLUDE CITATION OF AUTHORITY FOR CONFISCATION.

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B. IF AIRCRAFT WAS NOT FLOWN BY OWNER, NOTIFY OWNERS BY CABLE IMMEDIATELY OF CONFISCATION AND OF THE REQUIREMENTS FOR RECOVERY UNDER VENEZUELAN LAW. NOTIFY THROUGH FAA OR SCS, IF ONLY REGISTRY NUMBER IS AVAILABLE.

C. SEND COPIES OF ALL TRAFFIC TO SCS, SO THAT POSSIBLE TELEPHONE AND CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRIES MAY BE HANDLED IN THE DEPARTMENT WITHOUT FURTHER REFERRAL TO THE POST.

4. EMBASSY'S COMMENTS AND ADVICE WILL BE APPRECIATED. KISSINGER

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